



BNL/ARC
BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
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In Attendance:

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The meeting was called to order. These are the minutes as follows:

The first thing that was discussed was Echo-Link. Echo-Link is out of commission, until further notice. Its timely repair and resolution are in capable hands. Stay tuned for more info.

Next up was the towers and the need to get a property pass and get them transferred to the club so we can get them repaired and refurbished so we can get them back into service for the club needs and for emergency preparedness. Hurricane season is here! On this front, it seems as if some of the trailers could be many decades old. There is a report of a tree growing into one of the trailers holding a tower! This doesn't seem to be an impossible feat, but it is going to be a challenge.

We had a brief discussion about Moon Bounce, but for the most part, these are extra class radio communications, and not many of us have the knowledge, license designation or the (expensive) equipment needed to do it. But it does sound very interesting.

There are still no results on our standings from Field Day, but they should be forthcoming very soon. Everyone did a fantastic job, from set up to tear down. Conditions on the air were good, but not exceptional. As we go closer to Solar Cycle 24's peak, we can expect more contacts and better conditions for DX. Overall we did great! Thanks to all who attended. And a special "Good Job" to all who participated! Wait 'Til Next Year!

The meeting was adjourned.

Remember: No Meeting in September! Next Meeting will be October 21, 2008. 6pm at Grace Lutheran Church, Mastic Rd., Mastic.

Yearly Dues are due October 31. We will also be talking about our Annual Holiday Party.

Have a Great Rest of the Summer and See You in the Fall...73's <sk>